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SUBJECT: COUNTRY CLEARANCE GRANTED FOR COURTNEY WHITWORTH
AND BRIAN WEYAND

REF: SECSTATE 269614

¶1. Embassy Prague welcomes and grants country clearance for Courtney Whitworth and Brian Weyand to travel to Prague February 17-22, 2005.

¶2. Embassy point of contact will be Tricia Cypher, tel. (420) 257 530 663, ext. 2313, e-mail CypherTB@state.gov.

¶3. Hotel reservation have been made, two single rooms at Hotel Aria, Trziste 9, Praha 1 tel. 420 225 334 111, fax. 420 225 334. Confirmation number for Courtney Whitworth is 8686 and for Brian Weyand 8687.

¶4. Security: All Americans are advised to be continually aware of their surroundings, alert to suspicious activities or individuals and to avoid large gatherings. With regard to crime, Prague is normally a very safe city by U.S. standards but visitors are encouraged to exercise common sense precautions and to be particularly wary of Prague's famously efficient pickpockets and scam artists. Special caution is warranted in and around train stations and when boarding, riding or exiting trams. When taking taxis, we recommend visitors insist that the meter be used or that travelers agree on a fare with the driver in advance.

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